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Introduction

OVERVIEW

Even before Maryland was a state, Native American women and women who came here from many nations provided the strength that nurtured our families, sustained our health, plowed our fields, invented our everyday tools, and built our communities and institutions. This year's Maryland Women's Heritage Trail Resource Kit was created to honor courageous foremothers, the famous women and the unsung heroines in each of our homes and communities. It is important to assure that their daily contributions and tremendous achievements of the past and present are acknowledged.

Follow the footsteps along the Heritage Trail and wander the paths where pioneering Maryland women have built our State throughout our history. Follow this trail of tales and learn about the contributions made by diverse women throughout Maryland – from the women who worked the land in Southern Maryland, to the waterwomen on the Eastern Shore, to the craftswomen of Western Maryland, to the civil rights activists of Baltimore and Central Maryland, to the scientists, artists, educators, writers, athletes, business, civic and religious leaders in every region and community. Learn about women who inhabited the land 12,000 years ago, women who were enslaved and brought to Maryland against their will, women who came to Maryland from hundreds of countries around the world over many centuries, and women of many different cultural, ethnic, racial, religious, economic, and social backgrounds.

As you visit sites along the Heritage Trail you will meet coal miners and canal lockkeepers, suffragists and community activists, farm women and factory workers, authors and musicians, abolitionists and leaders of the Underground Railroad, grassroots organizers and elected officials, restorers and preservers of historical sites and museums, nurses and astronauts, teachers and founders of schools, visionaries and social reformers.

Museums, markers, statues, memorials, shrines, restored homes and historical parks will introduce you to women of strength and achievement. Follow in these women's footsteps to honor grandmothers, mothers, aunts, cousins, sisters, and daughters as you celebrate the lives of Maryland women of past generations and women who continue to shape our society.



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FORMAT

The Maryland Women's Heritage Trail Resource Kit consists of a *Guidebook* and *Poster Map*. The *Guidebook* contains annotated listings of representative historic sites related to contributions of Maryland women across the state; suggested activities for classrooms, libraries, and community groups; and a resource directory. Sites listed in the *Guidebook* are keyed by location to correspond with specific lettered and numbered locations on the *Poster Map*.

The *Poster Map* is color coded to mark five Maryland geographic regions, as follows:

Western Maryland Region – Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington Counties

Capital Region – Howard, Montgomery, and Prince George's Counties

Central Maryland Region – Baltimore City; Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, and Harford Counties

Southern Maryland Region – Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties

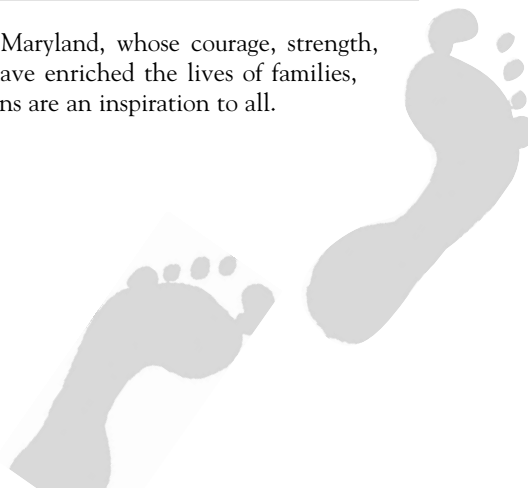
Eastern Shore Region – Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties

USAGE

The *Poster Map* and *Guidebook* are intended for use by schools and communities to raise awareness of the rich legacy of Maryland women's accomplishments. The sites identified are only a sampling of the many places throughout Maryland that reflect women's contributions. Students and community members are encouraged to do additional research to identify local women who have made a difference in our lives.

DEDICATION

The Heritage Trail is dedicated to the diverse women of Maryland, whose courage, strength, creativity, compassion, leadership, vision, and persistence have enriched the lives of families, communities, and institutions in our state. Their contributions are an inspiration to all.



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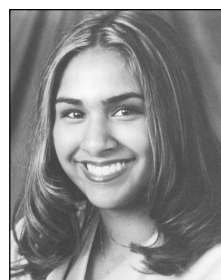
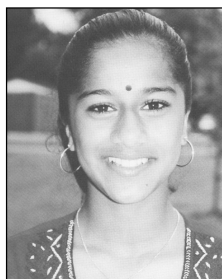
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Celebrate Maryland Women

Join us and travel the Heritage Trail



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Historic Site Listings

Individual descriptions of sites follow this listing. Listings are keyed by letters and numbers to the *Poster Map*.

ALLEGANY COUNTY

Chesapeake and Ohio (C&O) Canal National Historic
Park **B-5**

Jane Frazier House **B-5**

Elizabeth Tasker Lowndes Home **B-5**

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

Annapolis High School **F-15**

Banneker-Douglass Museum **F-15**

Charles Carroll House of Annapolis **F-15**

Chase-Lloyd House **F-15**

Coffee House **F-15**

Government House **F-15**

Anne Catherine Greene House **F-15**

Zeona Hatcher Haley Burial Site **G-14**

Java Archaeological Site **F-15**

Maryland Commission for Women **F-15**

Maryland State Archives **F-15**

Maryland Women's Hall of Fame **F-15**

William Paca House and Garden **F-15**

Primrose Hill **F-15**

Lucy Smith House **F-15**

Helen Avalynne Tawes Garden **F-15**

BALTIMORE CITY **D-14**

NOTE: All sites in Baltimore City are located at D-14

Afro-American Newspaper

American Visionary Art Museum

Baltimore Museum of Art

Baltimore Museum of Industry

Baltimore Women's Industrial Exchange

Eubie Blake National Jazz Institute and Cultural Center

Bryn Mawr School for Girls

B. Olive Cole Pharmacy Museum

College of Notre Dame

Confederate Women's Monument

Coppin State College

Dutchess of Windsor (Bessie Wallis Warfield Simpson)
House

Great Blacks in Wax Museum

Mary Catherine Goddard Office

Billie Holiday Statue

Lillie Carroll Jackson Home

Jewish Museum of Maryland

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African

American History and Culture

Maryland Historical Society

Bessie L. Moses Memorial

Mother Mary Lange Monument

Mother Seton House

National Association for the Advancement of Colored
People (NAACP) Headquarters

National Juneteenth Museum

National Museum of Dentistry

Oblate Sisters of Providence

Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University
Archives

Lizette Woodworth Reese Memorial

St. Francis Academy

Star-Spangled Banner Flag House

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Szold Street

University of Maryland School of Nursing Museum

Western High School

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Asian Arts and Culture Center/Towson

University **C-14**

Benjamin Banneker Heritage Museum **D-14**

Goucher College **C-14**

Hampton National Historic Site **C-14**

St. Timothy's School **C-14**

CALVERT COUNTY

AnnMarie Garden **I-15**

Brewhouse **H-15**

Harriet Elizabeth Brown Mount Hope Community

Center **G-15**

Linden **H-15**

Jefferson Patterson Park **H-15**

CAROLINE COUNTY

Patty Cannon House **G-18**

Sophie Kerr Memorial **F-18**

Museum of Rural Life **F-18**

CARROLL COUNTY

Carroll County Farm Museum **B-13**

Memorial to Sadie Kneller Miller **B-13**

Sherman-Fisher-Shellman House **B-13**

Sykesville Gate House Museum of History **C-12**

CECIL COUNTY

Site of Martha Finley Home **B-18**

The Hermitage **B-18**

Turkey Point Lighthouse **B-17**

CHARLES COUNTY

African-American Heritage Museum **H-13**

American Indian Cultural Center **H-13**

St. Ignatius Catholic Church **I-12**

Thomas Stone National Historic Site **I-15**

Ruth B. Swann Memorial Park **H-11**

DORCHESTER COUNTY

Bazzel Church **H-16**

Bucktown Village Store **H-16**

Anna Ella Carroll Grave **H-16**

Dorchester County Courthouse **H-16**

Edythe M. Jolley Education Center/Mace's

Lane **H-16**

Annie Oakley House **H-16**

Gloria Richardson House Site **H-16**

Harriet Tubman Birthplace Marker **H-16**

Harriet Tubman Memorial Garden **H-16**

Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad

Museum **H-16**

FREDERICK COUNTY

Beatty-Creamer House **C-11**

Nancy Crouse House **C-11**

Barbara Fritchie Home **C-11**

Hood College **C-11**

Ladiesburg **C-11**

National Museum of Civil War Medicine **C-11**

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National Shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton **A-10**
Helen Smith House and Studio **C-11**
Steiner House/Home of the Frederick Women's Civic Club **C-11**

GARRETT COUNTY

Coal Talk Oral History Museum **A-2**
Heritage Museum **A-2**
Penn Alps and Spruce Forest Artisan Village **A-3**

HARFORD COUNTY

Mary Eliza Watters Risteau Building **B-15**
Mary Eliza Watters Risteau Home **B-15**
Stepping Stone Museum **C-16**
Susquehanna Museum of Havre de Grace **C-16**

HOWARD COUNTY

Ellicott City Main Street **D-13**
Historic Savage Mill **E-13**
Howard County Center of African American Culture **D-13**
Patapsco Female Institute Historical Park **D-13**
Toby's Dinner Theater **D-13**

KENT COUNTY

African-American Heritage Council Museum **D-16**
Kitty Knight House **C-17**
C.V. Starr Center for the Study of the American Experience **E-12**
Still Pond **C-16**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Clara Barton National Historic Site **F-12**
Beall-Dawson House **E-12**
Bethesda Farm Women's Market **F-12**
Boyds Negro School House **D-11**
Rachel Carson Home **E-12**
F. Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald Burial Place **E-11**
Madonna of the Trail Monument **F-12**
George Meany Memorial Archives **E-12**
Sandy Spring Museum **E-12**
Sandy Spring Slavery Museum and African Art Gallery **D-12**
Seneca Schoolhouse and Museum **D-10**

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

College Park Aviation Museum **F-13**
Greenbelt Community Center **F-13**
Grigsby Station **F-13**
Mary Harris "Mother" Jones Historical Marker **F-13**
Crista Corrigan McAuliffe Memorial Displays **F-13**
Judith Resnick Auditorium **F-13**
Riversdale **F-13**
Anna Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Tree **F-13**
Gladys Noon Spellman Parkway **G-13; D-14**
Adele H. Stamp Student Union **F-13**
Mary Surratt House **H-14**
The Woodyard Archeological Site **G-13**

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

Cray House **E-16**
Queen Anne's Museum of Eastern Shore Life **E-16**
Train Station Museum **E-17**
Tucker House **E-16**

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SOMERSET COUNTY

Beach to Bay American Indian Trail **J-18,19**
Eastern Shore Early American Museum **L-17**
Smith Island Crab-Pickers Cooperative **L-17**

ST. MARY'S COUNTY

Margaret Brent Garden **K-15**
Historic St. Mary's City **K-15**
Sotterly Plantation **I-14**
St. Mary's County Courthouse **I-14**
Tudor Hall **I-14**

TALBOT COUNTY

Avalon Theater **G-17**
Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum **G-16**
Little Red Schoolhouse **F-16**
Third Haven Friends Meeting House **G-17**
Amelia Welby House **G-16**

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Antietam National Battlefield **C-9**
Beaver Creek School **B-9**
Angela Kirkham Davis House **B-9**
Marguerite Ann Doleman Home and
Black History Museum **B-9**
Mary Lemist Titcomb Memorial **B-9**
Williamsport C&O Canal Visitors Center **B-9**

WICOMICO COUNTY

Charles H. Chipman Cultural Center **I-19**
Edward H. Nabb Research Center for
Delmarva History **I-19**
Pemberton Historical Park **I-19**

WORCESTER COUNTY

Ayresbilt and Lankford Hotel **I-21**
Burbage Funeral Home **I-21**
Costen House **J-18**
Dunes Manor Hotel **I-21**
Furnace Town **K-19**
Zippy Lewis Lounge **I-21**
Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum **I-21**
Julia Purnell Museum **K-19**
Sturgis One Room Schoolhouse Museum **J-18**
Calvin B. Taylor Museum **J-18**

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Maryland Women's History Quilt

The quilt includes squares representing different aspects of Maryland's history and culture.



Designed and quilted by by Lynn Hapchuk

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Historic Site Descriptions

This section includes listings and descriptions of women's history sites in Maryland. Sites are listed in alphabetical order for each of Maryland's 23 counties and Baltimore City. Some additional national women's history sites in nearby Washington, D.C., are also included. Sites are keyed by letters and numbers to the *Poster Map*.

ALLEGANY COUNTY

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO (C&O) CANAL NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK **B-5**

Western Maryland Railway Station • 13 Canal Street • Cumberland, Maryland 21502 • 301-722-8226
www.nps.gov/choh

Women were vital to the operation of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, a manufactured shipping waterway located along the northern edge of the Potomac River between Washington, D.C. and Cumberland, Maryland. The Canal was in operation from 1850 to 1924. Whether in the strong supporting role as wife of a boat captain or locktender, or in the primary role as boat captain or lockkeeper themselves, women were essential to the life of the canal. Women such as Nina Spong, who risked her life to save her children in an accident on board the family canal boat waiting to unload at Georgetown; Elizabeth Burgess, Elizabeth Case, and Mrs. James O'Reilly, who all took over operation of the lift locks after their husbands died. Catherine Ensminger of Williamsport became a canal boat captain after her husband died, and during the Civil War period many other canal widows also took over their husbands' jobs. Cora Hebb from the area of Sharpsburg was well-known along the canal for her delicious baked bread. Many locktenders' wives supplemented the family income in this way. Women worked side-by-side with their husbands and children to make the C&O Canal run. Their contributions cannot be adequately measured.



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JANE FRAZIER HOUSE **B-5**

Route 51 Oldtown Road • Cumberland, Maryland 21502

Jane Frazier, wife of Lt. John Frazier, lived in a log house built in 1754 just beyond the Cumberland city limits. It was while returning to her home from the Fort Cumberland Trading Post several miles away that Jane was captured by Indians and taken to the Miami River in Ohio. She escaped and returned 18 months later to learn that her husband had remarried because he thought that she was dead. Jane's husband took her back and sent his second wife home to her father. A Frazier descendant wrote a book called "Red Morning" telling of Jane's experiences. The Frazier house was destroyed in the 1960's, but a marker designates its location.

ELIZABETH TASKER LOWNDES HOME **B-5**

Washington Street (Eastern End) • Cumberland, Maryland 21502

Mrs. Elizabeth Tasker Lowndes, wife of Governor Lloyd Lowndes, was born in Cumberland in 1842. She was known as a gracious hostess and entertained President Benjamin Harrison and other dignitaries in her Washington Street home. Equal to her high social attainment was her spirit of charity. Mrs. Lowndes was an ardent worker in church activities, and helped to establish a tuberculosis hospital in Cumberland in 1913. A marker designates the location of the Lowndes home.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

ANNAPOLIS HIGH SCHOOL **F-14**

2700 Riva Road • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-266-5240

Louise W. Linthicum (1877-1931) was principal of Annapolis High School from 1910-1928. She is reported to be the first woman to serve as principal in a Maryland Public High School in the 20th Century. In the decade prior to her appointment, Linthicum served as assistant to the Principal of the school, which went through seven male principals in 14 years from its founding in 1896. The literature on education from the early twentieth century makes it quite clear that only men were considered suitable for the principal's job at the high school level. Annapolis had been unable to keep its male principals because the salary was lower than what they could earn elsewhere in or out of state. Linthicum's own education is typical of young women from families with modest incomes who wanted to become teachers - she graduated from the State Normal School (today Towson University) in 1894. She earned an additional degree from Johns Hopkins in 1923.

BANNEKER-DOUGLASS MUSEUM **F-15**

84 Franklin Street • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-947-2893

This building houses changing exhibits, lectures, and films about African American arts and culture, including contributions of women.

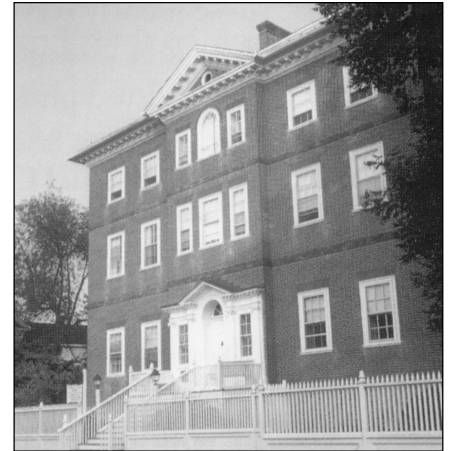
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CHARLES CARROLL HOUSE OF ANNAPOLIS

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107 Duke of Gloucester Street • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-269-1737

Molly (Mary Darnall) Carroll (1749-1782), hostess of the Carroll House in Annapolis, was described as “not only being perceptive and observant but also as having an intelligent and lively mind.” She married Charles Carroll of Carrollton - one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. According to eighteenth century upper class occupational opportunities, Molly was considered to have achieved a high degree of success by virtue of having married into a family that afforded her a high standard of living with important social advantages. The poise, gracefulness, popularity, love of pleasure, and charm of this Revolutionary hostess also helped advance her husband's political career.



Charles Carroll House

CHASE-LLOYD HOUSE **F-15**

22 Maryland Avenue • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-263-2723

Anne Baldwin, who married Samuel Chase, signer of the Declaration of Independence, lived in the house until 1769. Sall Wilks was born as a slave here in 1763. She had six children, Poll, Sucky, Anna, Charlotte, John, and William. She was in charge of the fine tableware, china, and linen, and her son William was the coachman. Hester Ann Chase Ridout, who bought the house in 1846 and died here in 1886, provided in her will that the house be used as a home for elderly ladies “where they may find a retreat from the vicissitudes of life.” Today it is home for up to twelve self-supporting women over the age of sixty-five. The house is listed as a National Historic Landmark.

COFFEE HOUSE **F-15**

195 Main Street • Annapolis, Maryland 21403

The Coffee House, operated in the late 1700's by Cornelius and Mary Wallace Howard (d.1797), catered to the gentry of Maryland. Mary Howard also sold imported merchandise here.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE **F-15**

State Circle • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-974-3531

Home of the Governor of Maryland, this building hosts a permanent collection of “Portraits of First Ladies and Official Hostesses of Maryland.” The collection was developed by Frances Hughes Glendening when she served as First Lady of Maryland in the 1990's.



Government House

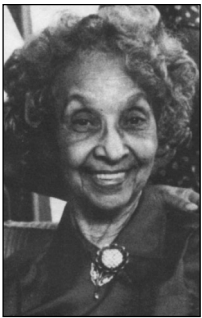
ANNE CATHERINE GREEN HOUSE **F-15**

124 Charles Street • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-263-5892 • 877-892-4845
www.jonasgreenhouse.com

Anne Catherine Green, first woman master printer and editor/publisher in Maryland, was born in 1719 in Holland. At 19 she married Jonas Green (cousin of Benjamin Franklin) and moved to Annapolis. Jonas Green was not only the licensed printer for the colony and Maryland Colonial Legislature, but also was the publisher of the Maryland Gazette. Jonas and Anne Catherine had learned the printing trade from Benjamin Franklin.

MARYLAND WOMEN'S HERITAGE TRAIL

In the middle class home that they leased, they had fourteen children - eight of whom passed before the age of six. To help the family, Anne also sold chocolates at the dock. When Jonas died in 1767, having been left deeply in debt, without ownership of house or business, Anne Catherine took over the business, requested and received an affirmative response to her petition to continue as the legislature's printer, paid off the debt, and purchased their house within three years. Under her direction the paper became a propaganda tool for the patriots. The Gazette was described as "...midwife to the birth of an aroused American political consciousness." The paper furthered the cause of liberty and revolution, although Anne died a year before the Declaration of Independence.



Zeona Hatcher
Haley

ZEONA HATCHER HALEY BURIAL SITE **G-14**

Lakemont Memorial Gardens • 900 West Central Avenue • Davidsonville, Maryland 21035

Zeona Hatcher Haley (1904-1998) was the stepmother of Alex Haley (author of *Roots* and *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*). She was a Golden Life member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and was a teacher of teachers for forty years. She received a myriad of awards and honors including a "Women in NAACP" plaque recognizing her service to the community. Alex Haley stated that the training in writing she provided for him was instrumental in his development as a noted author.

JAVA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE **F-14**

Edgewater, Maryland 21037

This is a Smithsonian Institute archaeological site with trails, a hunting lodge, and displays related to the ways of life of Piscataway women and men in the 1600's – 1700's.



Jeanette R. Wolman
Commission
Founder

MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN **F-15**

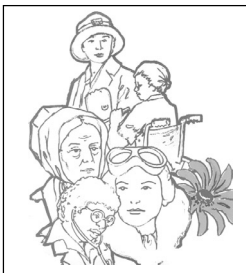
45 Calvert Street • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-260-6048 or 1-877-868-2196 • fax 410-974-2307 • www.dhr.state.md.us/mcw

The Commission for Women works on education, health, social, legislative, and employment issues impacting women. Its office houses records of the Commission's history and accomplishments.

MARYLAND STATE ARCHIVES **F-15**

350 Rowe Boulevard • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-260-6400 or 1-800-235-4045 • www.mdarchives.state.md.us

The Archives houses primary documents and photographs related to many facets of Maryland history, including information on individual women's contributions and on the history of women's organizations. The Archives also helped salvage 400 paintings and sketches of noted Maryland artist Florence Riefle Bahr, after a fire claimed her life, home, and studio in 1998.



MARYLAND WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME **F-15**

Maryland Law Library • 361 Rowe Boulevard • Annapolis, Maryland 21401 • 410-260-1430 • www.lawlib.state.md.us

The Maryland Women's Hall of Fame was established in 1985 through the efforts of the Maryland Commission for Women and The Women Legislators of Maryland. Its purpose is to honor Maryland women who have made unique and lasting contributions to the economic, political,